

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

DONNA HINES,

No. C-07-4145 CW (EMC)

Plaintiff,

v.

**ORDER RE PARTIES' STATUS
REPORTS OF DECEMBER 11, 2009**CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES
COMMISSION, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Previously, Plaintiff submitted filings on November 25 and December 1, 2009, regarding her deposition. *See* Docket Nos. 203, 206. The Court ordered the parties to meet and confer on the issues raised in Plaintiff's filings. *See* Docket Nos. 205, 214. The Court also instructed the parties to file a joint letter if all disputes were not resolved in the meet and confer.

The parties did not file a joint letter as ordered by the Court. Instead, they provided separate status reports. Those reports reflect that there is no issue in need of judicial resolution at this time. Accordingly, the Court need not make any rulings with respect to Plaintiff's submissions of November 25 and December 1.

As a final point, the Court advises the parties that, in the future, it shall expect strict compliance with its orders. Thus, if a joint submission is required, then a joint submission -- and not separate submissions -- must be provided, at least absent a showing of good cause. Here, the reason tendered by Plaintiff for not making a joint submission is not justified. A failure to check the mail

1 for several days is not enough to establish good cause. Moreover, even if Plaintiff had not seen the
2 Court's order of December 4, 2009, the Court's order of December 1, 2009, clearly required a joint
3 submission. Failure to comply may result in sanctions.

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5 IT IS SO ORDERED.

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7 Dated: December 21, 2009

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11 United States Magistrate Judge
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